

## DECISION ON APPLICANT REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Under section 60851 of title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, if the Bureau of State Audits or the Applicant Review Panel decides to exclude or remove an applicant from the pool of applicants being considered for selection to the Citizens Redistricting Commission, the applicant may, no later than 10 days after the date of the notification of exclusion or removal, request reconsideration of the decision if the decision was the result of an error relating to:

- Having a conflict of interest;
- Failing to satisfy the eligibility requirements for serving on the commission; or
- Failing to comply with the procedural requirements of the application process.

**Request for reconsideration is: Granted**\_\_\_\_\_.

Reason for granting or denying the request: Applicant was excluded from the supplemental applicant pool due to not submitting a total of three letters of recommendation by the application deadline. However, it appears that this failure to submit three letters of recommendation by the application deadline was not a result of Applicant failing to make arrangements for the letters to be submitted timely, but rather a result of not all of the authors submitting the letters in the appropriate format. Moreover, a total of three recommendations now have been submitted in support of Applicant's application. It therefore appears that compelling circumstances exist for reconsidering the decision to exclude Applicant from the supplemental applicant pool in that: the noncompliance with the deadline appears not to have been Applicant's fault; all three recommendations now have been submitted; and granting reconsideration so soon after the application deadline will not cause harm to the application process. Accordingly, it is appropriate to reconsider the decision to exclude Applicant from the supplemental applicant pool and to return Applicant to that pool.

Applicant's current status: Included in the supplemental applicant pool.